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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, in response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2001, Applicants request that the above-identified application be amended as follows. A petition for one-month extension of time and the appropriate fee accompany this response.

In the Claims:

Please amend patent claim 8 as follows:

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8. (Amended Four Times) A composition comprising cellular hosts transformed by a heterologous